Wise County Messenger

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On the Street

J[illegible] quired [illegible] years [illegible] the Messenger is absolutely the best newspaper published in Wise county," continued Mr. Griffin. "Sometimes I do not agree with its editorial policy, but for an all-around good country newspaper—one that can be relied on in reporting happenings from over the county—it has no equal. I have been a subscriber a long, long time, and the paper is better today than ever before, and I know it is the most popular publication we've ever had in the county."

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ANNOUNCER for the J. Frank Norris studio put one over on the local Hotel Greathouse proprietor," stated a guest of the hotel to a Messenger reporter. "The other night while Dr. Norris was broadcasting his sermon, in which he made several pointed remarks, some that would not sound sweet in a Sunday school room, the hotel host sent a telegram to the Norris radio operator in which he said something like this: 'The putrid talk of Norris is disgusting in the extreme,' but when the announcer read the message to the listeners he said: 'Here is one from the Hotel Greathouse which says preaching fine and coming in great.' The last I saw of the hotel host, Mr. Jones, he was saying some unlady like things about the fellow who distorted his message."

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L. [illegible] CLEMENT, farmer, who was in town last Thursday, was a pleasant caller at the Messenger office, and before he left the sacred precincts he had tossed the price of a year's subscription into the till. "I consider the Messenger a good, reliable paper and we need it in our household." It is reported that a number of friends of Mr. Clement have asked him if he would be a candidate for tax assessor when the race is declared on next time, and he has told them that it is too early now to talk about it. "Later on probably I will make announcement when the time is ripe. I am too busy [illegible] think about running [illegible]." Mr. Clement is one of the best known men in the county, and when he ran for assessor two years ago he came within a small vote of landing [illegible] about fifty three votes over Mr. Clement.

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P[illegible] attorney [illegible] played a [illegible] Messenger [illegible] this week, which showed up our ignorance beautifully. We had heard of dictaphones and other apparatus that is used in [illegible] offices, and by indications, [illegible] take it from us, we had [illegible]

[illegible]

T[illegible] Pat [illegible] church [illegible] to be an atheist [illegible] The two friendly fellows had many arguments about religion. It became necessary one day that Mike take a trip away from home several days. When he returned his dear friend Pat had died and his body was in the casket in the parlor surrounded by flowers. They told Mike about it, and of course he was very sorrowful. Finally he was taken into the room where Pat lay in the coffin. After standing by a moment, Mike began to laugh. He was rebuked by some one for manifesting levity on such a solemn occasion. But the more they upbraided him, the more and louder he laughed. Finally he was asked what he found funny in the presence of his dead friend. 'Well,' said Mike, 'Oi am [illegible]ust as sorry that Pat has gone as Oi [illegible]an be, but Oi can't help thinkin' how [illegible]at always contended there was no [illegible]od and no heaven. And, so here he [illegible]ll dressed up and nowhere to go.'"

EXPERIMENT IN GRAPE GROWING IS BEGUN HERE

Denver Road to Conduct Demonstration for Adaptability

Wise county is to lead all the Fort Worth & Denver railroad agricultural territory in the cultural art of growing grapes for market and domestic uses. Diversification of crops along the lines of horticulture diversely away from one line farming was distinctively emphasized here as a policy last week, when the Frt Worth & Denver, acting thru M. B. Oates, agricultural agent, concluded arrangements for the operation of two separate tracts of land to be planted and scientifically cultivated to grapes of several leading varieties believed to be adapted to the soil and climatic conditions of the cross timbers and Denver territory lands.

A plat of five acres is to be planted on the A. C. Bennett farm, just outside of Decatur on the main Weatherford and Decatur or reunion ground road. Another plat of two acres is to be conducted on Ed Cates' farm a few miles north of Decatur on Meridian Highway. Both demonstration acreages will receive the very best of cultural attention from start to finish, consistent with the practical view of establishing the commercial profitability of the crop to actual farmers. Entire monetary cost of the grape project will be borne by the Denver railroad company, and the company will have supervising charge under Mr. Oates until both vineyards have reached full maturity.

Mr. Oates, as representative of the railroad, has had the plan of conducting these demonstrations somewhere in the Denver territory since last summer, when he conducted a tour composed partly of Wise county representatives on a tour of the Ozark grape growing sections of Northwest Arkansas. Since that time he has been aided in his local investigations here by Decatur Chamber of Commerce and County Agent E. C. Jameson, who have sought to induce Mr. Oates to select vicinity of Decatur for the demonstrations, in which effort final success was encountered. The sandy land vicinity of Decatur was conclusively demonstrated to possess every requisite necessary to the success of the endeavor. Close cooperation manifested by the Decatur representatives in all stages of the enterprise operated as an additional factor in [illegible] the demonstration to this vicinity.

Denver Road [illegible] to make the [illegible]

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BORGER TRAGEDY WAS FIRST IN NEW REGIME

[illegible] Borger police force, was instantly killed there at seven o'clock Tuesday night [illegible] section of the city. M[illegible] McWilliams was taken to a hospital with a bullet wound in the right hip and his left leg following the shooting. Eye witnesses state the officer was shot twice and fell to the gutter and shot his assailant from an elbow position. Details concerning the shooting have not been learned.

The officer was taken to a mortuary. He has two pistol wounds in the heart. McWilliams' injuries may prove fatal. Hospital attendants state this is the first tragedy to occur there since the city government went into effect three weeks ago.

Rigney had served there for some time as a deputy sheriff and since the city incorporated had been night chief of the city police force. He was well known and a popular officer.

Allen Brady has returned from a visit with relatives near Wichita Falls. Mr. Brady will engage in trapping for fur-bearing animals in Wise county during the present winter. He is an experienced trapper.

High School Eleven In Title Game Today

W[illegible] the greatest [illegible] title ever fought between high school teams in this section of the state will be staged at the Decatur College park this (Friday) afternoon at three o'clock, when the Decatur high school Eagles meet the Archer City Wildcats in a title go that will decide the Class B championship of district four of North Texas.

The local eleven has gone thru the entire season without a loss in Class B football, having defeated several fast squads in this section, and Coach V. M. Santy's charges are in prime condition for the battle with the possible exception of two members of the regular team who have received injuries during the past two weeks.

And these Wildcats—we've heard some awful tales about their fighting ability. They have emerged from the engagements of the season without a mark on their slate and will be here for the purpose of trying to peel the [illegible] feathers of the Eagles.

Moving pictures will be made of the game here today, which will be shown in the theaters of North Texas towns. They will be exhibited at the Majestic theater in Decatur on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 21st and 22nd.

Attend the game this afternoon!

DISTRICT COURT BUSY AT NOVEMBER SESSION

District court convened on Monday morning, Judge F. O. McKinsey swearing in the grand jury and opening the "mill" for grist. A number of divorce cases were disposed of, and Monday the civil docket will be taken up, with the following cases scheduled for the first week:

C. E. Hood vs. W. H. Askey on December 9th.

C. W. Martin vs. Bridgeport Brick Company on December 7th.

Mrs. L. A. Arrington vs. Mrs. Nancy Tomlinson et al on December 9th.

Mrs. L. N. Nateg et al vs. G. N. McMillen on December 10th.

Zurich Accident Insurance Company vs. Mrs. M. J. Cason on December 6th.

J. W. Reynolds vs. Charles M[illegible]dricks on December 6th.

Sam Hardee vs. E. K. Local Insurance Association on December 11th.

Mrs. M. J. Cason vs. Zurich Accident Insurance Company on December 6th.

Criminal court will open Monday, December 20th.

J. M. Galthrop of Slidell was in the city on business Monday.

Skygak to Solicit Subs to G. M. R. W.

[illegible] Skygak [illegible] the Messenger [illegible] general utility man in the [illegible] section west of Decatur, will take up his duties of rounding in new and old subscribers for the [illegible] Messenger.

Apparently, Mr. Skygak takes up the role of solicitor for subscriptions for this paper, and the records will show that he has time after time smashed all records. He is a good fellow; harmless during all his waking hours, and he sleeps sound o' nights. Few there are who have escaped him when on the hunt for subscribers, and no man refusing to take the paper has been able to properly nourish himself following the refusal.

Children love him, and the aged chum with him; dogs take to his trail like the mallard takes to water. See him and be convinced.

MESSENGER TO ISSUE CARRIERS NEWSPAPER

Next week the Messenger will issue an edition of the Texas Carrier, official organ of the Texas Rural Letter Carriers Association. This work came to the Messenger on a competitive bidding contract in which a number of plants in the state participated.

W. W. Brown, carrier from Decatur post office, is treasurer of the state organization and Messenger learns he is one of the most popular and efficient officers in the association.

Twenty-four hundred copies of the Carrier will be issued from Messenger's plant, and each mail carrier of the state will be supplied one.

Texas association is one of the outstanding units of the national organization, which has a membership of more than fifty thousand, and in recognition of the state's progress among its carriers a number are prominent members in the parent organization. The Carrier will be issued monthly.

Lee Higgs Closed His Bakery Last Week-End

Lee Higgs, who operated a bakery on the south side of the square for the past year, closed his doors Saturday night, and the fixtures were moved out. Mr. Higgs was a good baker and operated a first class bakery, but the trade would not justify his continuing in business.

Before coming to Decatur Mr. Higgs lived in the Slidell country.

County Judge S. M. Ward Gives Possible Solution for Completing of 39th Highway

[illegible] thirty cent tax, leaving twenty [illegible] cents on the one hundred dollar valuation for the commissioners to do their general work. This condition has been in force for the past eleven years in the county.

"When these warrants are refunded it will only require four cents of the eight cents now set apart for the present outstanding warrants which are bearing six per cent interest; and the new or refunding warrants will bear five and one-half per cent interest which will be a saving of nearly one thousand dollars per year on interest.

"Now you see what I am driving at: If the commissioners' court sees fit to do so they can issue fifty thousand dollars in new warrants to match state aid in building the road into Decatur and use the four cents to pay [illegible]

"The Rock Island [illegible] North Highway, which has been built from Salt Creek to the Jack county line, is connecting up with the same highway thru Jack county and on out into three or four counties west makes it very important for it to connect up with the Meridian Highway at Decatur. Those people in the Bridgeport and Chico districts who voted bonds to build the road thru those districts are entitled to this outlet, and the fact that the four cents saved of the road and bridge tax is a county wide tax makes it the most justifiable to use this four cents to build the road in to connect up with the Meridian Highway at Decatur, as it will give them an outlet to the south and north. Besides there are other good reasons why it should be done, since it does not reduce the commissioners' working funds from what it is now—and as I see it, every citizen in the county will be benefitted and proud of it."

Two District Judges Served Forty Years

[illegible] district, which is composed of Wise, Parker and Jack counties, will have had only two presiding officers in forty years when Judge F. O. McKinsey's term expires. Three judges have served the district since it was created in 1887. Governor Ross appointed Judge George A. McFall of Weatherford, when the district was created; and that gentleman served a little more than one year and a half, when he was defeated by Judge J. W. Patterson of Decatur. Judge Patterson for twenty four years served as judge of the district, and when he retired Judge McKinsey of Weatherford was elected, and at the end of his present term he will have served sixteen years. Before becoming a candidate for district judge, McKinsey had served the people of Parker county as county judge two terms.

Judge Patterson, before he became district judge, had served his people in Wise county as prosecuting attorney two terms. He also served one term in the state legislature.

When a Messenger reporter asked Judge McKinsey if he would be a candidate for re-election at the expiration of his present term, he said: "I suppose so; at least that is the way I feel about it now."

PLAY NEXT WEEK WILL HAVE SEVENTY IN CAST

Under the direction of Mr. Primm, member of the Lone Star Production Company, local talent in Decatur will present a comedy entitled "Pickles," at the high school auditorium Thursday and Friday nights, December 10th and 11th. The entertainment, of the very highest order, is given under auspices of the high school. Press notices coming to Messenger say the production is one of the best and has received most favorable criticism wherever it has played.

Friends of the school should turn out in goodly number to see "Pickles," carrying a cast of seventy players.

"The play takes place in old Vienna and the gypsies, burgers and Viennese maidens will sing and dance their way into your life. You will like the play because it is so different."

Jonas H. Pennington, an American millionaire pickle manufacturer, with his daughter, June, arrives in Vienna amid preparations for the annual carnival. To his consternation, he finds Jones, his advertising expert, advertising Pennington Peter Piper pickles too well. An acquaintance, Lady Vivian, a wealthy English woman, also arrives on her annual quest in search of her daughter who was lost near Vienna at carnival time when a baby. Kinski, the pompous police chief, plans to substitute the lost child of Lady Vivian [illegible]

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CANTATA AT BAPTIST CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY

"Chimes of the Holy Night" is the title of a sacred cantata to be rendered by members of the choir of the First Baptist church on the evening of Sunday, December 12th. Admission will be free, and a large crowd is expected to attend and hear this annual music rendition by the choir of the church.

Fred B. Holton is author of the cantata, and its setting is for Christmas time. Thirteen choruses, with solos, duets, trios, quartets and other numbers, will be rendered.

The choir is under the direction of T. F. Glosup, who has shown his capability in direction during his tenure as regular musical director for the church during the past two years. Mrs. W. C. Milligan is accompanist. About forty will appear in the cantata, all people of Decatur.

D. B. C. INDIANS WILL PLAY FOR STATE HONORS

Locals to Meet Burleson in Fort Worth Next Week for Tilt

Football championship of the Texas Junior College conference will be decided in a game to be played in Fort Worth on Texas Christian University stadium field next Wednesday. The contending teams will be Burleson College of Greenville and Decatur College.

Decatur won the championship of the western half of the conference, while Burleson was victorious in the eastern half in the football season just closed. Neither team was willing to play on the other's home grounds, so Fort Worth was selected as a neutral ground.

Burleson College has a fast eleven that has gone thru the season without a defeat in the eastern district; and D. B. C. well one of the greatest junior college battles ever played in the southwest is expected.

Coach Matty Bell of T. C. U. has already agreed to be one of the officials, and it is thought that Coach Ray Morrison of S. M. U. and Coach Pete Cawthorn of Austin College will be the other two.

When Coach Woodrow Wilson of Burleson met with Coach Penn Dickson of D. B. C. Monday in Fort Worth to talk over arrangements for the game both declared the schools will send large delegations there for the fray. Decatur is planning a special train, and will stage a big parade thru the business section of Fort Worth, according to S. T. Lillard and Cliff Cates of this city. It has not been decided whether or not Greenville will go by special train or chartered busses.

Fort Worth chamber of commerce and T. C. U. are cooperating with the two schools in every way to make the game a success. Tickets for the game have already been placed on sale.

The starting time of the title tilt has not been definitely established, but it will probably be at three o'clock.

JOE BAILEY CLUB HAS SCHOOL CELEBRATION

Members of the Joe Bailey Community Club met at the school house at eleven o'clock on Thanksgiving Day to celebrate the fourth anniversary of the club. [illegible] talks were made by Rev. J. H. Heathington, County Agent E. C. Jameson and Mr. Brown, after which a bountiful feast was enjoyed [illegible]

[illegible] the club met [illegible] Keith Cates [illegible] president [illegible] secretary and [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] play, entitled "[illegible] on the Fast Mail Limited," was rendered by the "young" married members of the club. Enough money was received to pay the indebtedness on the piano for the school.

Regret was expressed at the meeting by members of the club in the loss of Miss Inez Derryberry, principal of the school, who left Saturday morning for Sherman to begin her work as home demonstration agent of Grayson county, but they were fortunate in securing the services of the talented Mrs. Jameson, wife of the county agent, for the rest of the school year.

L. D. Abernathy, the veteran night watchman at Lillard Mill, continues critically ill at his home here. This good man has numerous warm friends in the community who will be grieved to learn his failing condition. For several years he has been the faithful and efficient night watchman at the Lillard Milling Company plant.

COME TO ALVORD

AT OUR EXPENSE!

Hundreds of people from Decatur and surrounding towns have attended this

Our Greatest Sale in Thirty Years

We are positively making the lowest prices in all history. Come to this sale at our expense. Bus fare, rail road fare or gasoline free to Decatur people making purchases of $25.00 or over.

MEN'S SHIRTS
Men's $1.75 broadcloth [illegible] dress [illegible] fancy [illegible] striped patterns [illegible] sizes 14 to 16
ONLY $1.00

YOUR CHOICE
Any hat or cap in the house except Stetsons, with a [illegible] clothes over $40
ONLY $1.00

SLIPPER VALUES
To $5.00 values, final close out on slippers that have been on sale at $1.95
ONLY $1.00

KHAKI TROUSERS
Men's $2.00 khaki pants, extra well made, five pockets, belt loops, cuff bottoms
BARGAIN AT $1.00

STORM SERGES
$1.50 and $1.75 storm serge, 45 inches wide, several shades
PER YARD $1.00

MEN'S SOCKS
Regular 10c grade cotton hose, black, brown and white. Only [illegible] of these
15 PAIRS $1.00

MEN'S SOCKS
[illegible]
5 PAIRS $1.00

The greatest crowds ever attending a sale in Wise County have been to this great event here daily — and they are all coming back for more and bigger values to be offered during the remaining days of this Our Greatest Sale in thirty years. Closing out at one-half the price the goods here should bring!

FRIDAY ONLY
[illegible] Muslin, 36 inches [illegible]
10 YARDS FOR $1.00

SATURDAY ONLY
[illegible]
PER PAIR $1.00

TOWELS
Good weight bath towels, fancy borders, usual 25c grade
7 FOR $1.00

GINGHAMS
32 inch Toile du Nord ginghams and Everett classic, usual 25c
6 YARDS $1.00

WOMEN'S SHOES
High cuts, pointed toes, some military heels, some oxfords, original values to $10
5 YARDS $1.00

KNIT GLOVES
[illegible] fleece lined knit gloves usually sold at [illegible] pair [illegible]
3 PAIRS $1.00

INDIAN HEAD
[illegible]
3 YARDS $1.00

This Bargain Feast Closes Saturday, December 11

PILLOW CASES
[illegible] 42x36
4 FOR $1.00

COTTON SUITS
[illegible]
YARDS $1.00

NEW RAYON SUITINGS
[illegible]
YARDS $1.00

[illegible]
YARDS $1.00

FANCY DRAPERIES
[illegible]
PER YARD $1.00

CREPE DE CHINE
$1.50 crepe de chine, 40 inches wide
PER YARD $1.00

MEN'S SOCKS
Wool mixed [illegible] work socks regular 25c value
6 PAIRS $1.00

CURTAIN SCRIM
35c plain and fancy silk finished curtain scrim, assorted patterns
4 YARDS $1.00

MEN, HERE'S A KNOCK-OUT — SUIT PRICES TAKE THE COUNT!

MEN'S CURLEE SUITS AT $19.85

Men's and Young Men's Suits That Formerly Sold Up to $32.50 —

Men, you are missing a big chance to save if you don't take advantage of this suit offering. They are brand new in the latest fashions and buying now you pocket the difference of $10 to $12. You will find two button models and three button models in a wonderful array of popular stripes, blue serges, cassimeres, worsteds and remmber they are Curlee Clothes, warranted to give you perfect and absolute satisfaction till worn out. And that these are all new suits, all up-to-date styles, and that in most stores Curlee suits are regularly at $35, making your savings $15.15 a suit. Better hurry and get your fit

BROWN DOMESTIC
Red Wing 39 inch brown domestic, good 12½c value
12 YARDS $1.00

CURTAIN MARQUISETTE
36 inch curtain marquisette, in white, cream and ecru, assorted patterns, regular 15c value
10 YARDS $1.00

BATH TOWELS
[illegible]
YARDS $1.00

PERCALES, CHAMBRAYS AND GINGHAMS
[illegible]
6 YARDS $1.00

COTTON CHECKS
[illegible]
20 YARDS $1.00

LITTLE FELLOWS' $7.00 SUITS
One lot small boys' suits, sizes 3 to 7 years. Velvet, corduroy and fine wool suits, two piece suits and little Lord Fauntleroy waist and pant suits
ONLY $1.00

IMPERIAL CHAMBRAY
40c Imperial chambray, in fast colors, splendid quality
5 YARDS $1.00

Wise County's Best Store
Alvord, Texas

JIM B. THOMAS

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Alvord, Texas

REVISED SCHEDULE OF DENVER PASSENGER TRAINS.

SOUTH

W. Falls	Dec.	Ft. Worth	Dallas
11:55 am	2:14 pm	3:25 pm	5:00 pm
2:00 am	4:32 am	6:00 am	7:45 am
7:00 am	9:00 am	10:30 am	11:55 am

NORTH

Dallas	Ft. Worth	Dec.	W. Falls
8:30 am	10:10 am	11:28 am	1:55 pm
[illegible]	[illegible]	9:10 pm	11:55 pm
[illegible]	[illegible]	2:06 am	4:10 am

LOCAL NEWS

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[illegible] Saturday.

[illegible] of Austin [illegible]

N. H. Young of Fort Worth was a visitor in Decatur Saturday.

H. M. Lee and [illegible] and Mrs. W. A. Helm spent Thanksgiving in Arlington.

[illegible] Lanier of Wichita Falls visited relatives and friends here last week.

Mrs. S. M. Bennett of Wichita Falls is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Rogers.

Miss Camilla Price and Mrs. [illegible] Belew were Fort Worth shoppers on Tuesday.

Will Renshaw, prominent citizen of Bridgeport, was in the city first of the week.

Miss Wynona Henderson, instructor in Fort Worth schools, visited [illegible] folks here.

Miss Anna Ruth Schultz of Breckenridge visited her parents in the city last week-end.

Mrs. A. M. Shaw and [illegible] were Wichita Falls visitors Thursday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Stephens, northeast of Decatur, Friday, November 26th, a son.

C. C. Smith of Fort Worth was a week-end guest of his sister, Mrs. H. L. Jones and family.

Miss Lansing Jones of Chico visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jones, here last week-end.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Luther Washburn, northeast of Decatur, Thursday, November 25th, a son.

Miss Grace Sue Carpenter of [illegible] in the city.

Paul Bennett and Miss [illegible] of Wichita Falls visited Mrs. J. [illegible] Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Logan and [illegible] of Fort Worth were guests of Mrs. [illegible] Terrell Monday.

Geo. Ball, a student in S. M. U., Dallas, visited friends and relatives here latter part of last week.

You get the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and the Messenger for one year for $7.45. A good combination!

Misses Kathryn and Jacobina [illegible] visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] W. Burch here last week.

Misses Eunice Belew, Alma [illegible] Cook, Mildred Dillehay and [illegible] Belew were Fort Worth visitors Saturday.

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A fire alarm was turned in Wednesday afternoon and the fire laddies turned out promptly to find a prairie fire raging in the north part of town. No material damage was done.

Floyd Helm, better known among the old-timers as "Shorty," was in the city from Bridgeport Tuesday. For several years "Shorty" has been the manager of Decatur Motor Company's branch in the Coal City, and he reports business good.

Banks Bowles, officer in the Alvord precinct, was here first of the week. He was a deputy sheriff here under Sheriff Workman for some time, and while doing duty in that capacity, made many friends in Decatur. When he resigned and returned to his home in Alvord his neighbors immediately elected him to look after the peace in [illegible]at community. He has been an effi[illegible]t and reliable officer for many [illegible]rs.

L. H. Sharp of Greenwood was here on business Tuesday.

Mrs. G. S. Plaxco of Fort Worth is visiting relatives here.

J. M. Balthrop of Slidell was a Decatur visitor Tuesday.

Mrs. J. L. Waggoner of Wichita Falls is visiting relatives here.

J. A. [illegible] of Fort Worth [illegible]

[illegible]

Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] of Wichita Falls [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Boyd in the city Sunday.

The car of Oma Cartwright in a garage at his home in North Decatur was stripped by thieves [illegible] Wednesday night.

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the garage and barn [illegible] Walter Williams property on South Trinity street Thursday morning about [illegible] thirty o'clock. The coupe of Paul Ash in the garage was consumed by the flames.

A pie supper will be given at the Oliver school house on Friday night, December 10th, sponsored by Miss Lorene Doyle, teacher. Proceeds will be used for school ground equipment. Everyone invited to come and bring a pie or a pocket full of money.

R. M. [illegible], aged forty-five, [illegible] D. Waggoner [illegible] of Decatur, was kicked by a horse at his home Tuesday and late reports say he is in a critical condition. Attending physicians hold out little hope for his recovery, [illegible] the report coming to the Messenger.

W. R., better known as "Buck" Riley, was here from Bridgeport on business. For the past year he and his family have been living in Mineral Wells, moving from Bridgeport for the benefit of Mrs. Riley's health. Recently they returned to the Coal City and "Buck" will take up his duties as constable of that precinct, to which office he was elected while he was in Mineral Wells. "Buck" has had years of experience as an officer, and he has many friends all over the county.

Rural route six out of Decatur, recently made vacant by the transfer of Carrier S. N. Nichols to O'Donnell, has been consolidated with route one. [illegible] the consolidated [illegible] is forty and one-tenth miles [illegible] being the longest route out of Decatur. People formerly receiving their mail addressed to route six are now on route one, and should have their mail addressed to route one. The above change was effective December 1st. There are now only seven routes out of Decatur.

Preskitt States License of Hunter Out of Date

E. A. Preskitt, deputy game warden, was here on business. One day recently Mr. Preskitt came across a hunter near the Baker Lake [illegible]

SOCIETY

MISS ALMA WILKERSON, Reporter — Both Phones

Owl Club Met Wednesday.

[illegible] Resolved that the Texas Centennial should be on San Jacinto Battleground. Mrs. [illegible] affirmative and Mrs. A. [illegible] Harding argued the negative.

Honors Daughter's Birthday.

Mrs. J. T. Hanson entertained with a dinner at her home north of town Wednesday evening in honor of the birthday of her daughter, Miss [illegible] Lazard.

[illegible] entertained for the remainder of the evening.

Owl Club Program.

At a meeting of the Owl Club on Wednesday, December 8th, the following program will be rendered:

Leader—Mrs. N. A. Moore.

Reading, "Daughter of Mendoza"—Mrs. P. [illegible] Getty.

Talk, "Outstanding Historical Events While Texas was a Republic"—Mrs. E. L. Eaton.

Introduction, "The Texas Ranger: What Caused Controversy Over Him Now?"—Miss Addie Humphries.

"Texas Education—Lamar Day"—Mrs. Oma Cartwright.

"How Is Texas Presented?"—Mrs. A. B. Van Meter.

Entertained Friends.

Miss Lela Clay Mescaskey delightfully entertained a number of friends Friday evening with a party at her home on West Main street.

Games and other diversions were enjoyed by the following: Misses Annette McMordie, Eva Jo Greer, Fannie Pearl Askey, Minnie Pearl Arnett, Orlena Davenport, Lois Davis, Naomi Wright and Jessie Lee Ramsey; Messrs. J. C. Banks, Charles Sellars, Audrey Higgs, J. I. McDaniel, Howard Jordan, T. J. Elder, T. J. Dillehay, E. B. Melton, Milner Sandifer, J. C. Blewett, Albert Alland, Herman Jones, Horace Scheid, Gilbert Alland, Francis Milligan, Eugene Thompson and Weldon Griggs.

Announcements.

Musicians Club will meet Tuesday afternoon at the club room.

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Bridge Club will meet Friday afternoon at home of Mrs. Minnye Ennis.

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Circles of the Methodist Missionary Society will meet Monday afternoon in the parlors of the church.

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Baptist Woman's Missionary Society will meet Monday afternoon at three o'clock in a business meeting.

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L. A. [illegible] Club will meet Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. C. A. Reeves, with Mrs. Roy Workman as hostess.

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Young Ladies Missionary Society of the First Methodist church will meet Monday evening at the home of Mrs. L. W. [illegible]

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[illegible] with Mrs. [illegible] Hogg [illegible]

Marriage Licenses.

[illegible]

M. E. Mission Study Met.

The [illegible] class of the Methodist Missionary Society met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. G. G. Nelson with Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. J. M. [illegible] joint hostesses.

After an interesting lesson on "Paul" a [illegible] salad course was served.

Ingrams Return Home After Tour of Country

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Ingram, after spending several months touring the country in the east and in Florida, returned home several days ago. They visited Washington, New York, Boston, Niagara and Philadelphia. After several days at the centennial they started on the return trip by easy stages, going to Florida en route.

"We had a wonderful trip," stated Mrs. Ingram, "and enjoyed every minute of our journey; but there is no place like Decatur and her splendid people." Mrs. Ingram, before her marriage, was the popular Miss Risinger, one of the section's most efficient and accomplished musicians.

These splendid people have numerous friends in Decatur and all join the Messenger in welcoming them home.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our love and deepest respect to our friends who so graciously helped in our deep trouble in the death and burial of our dear mother; also for the beautiful floral offerings.—Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Avery, Mr. and Mrs. Zeno Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Culwell, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Sliger, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Sliger, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Hester.

Birthday Dinner Given for Old-Time Resident

A birthday dinner, given in honor of R. O. Wilson's fifty-eighth birthday, was attended by a large crowd of friends and relatives at Mr. Wilson's home, twelve miles southeast of Decatur, last Sunday. There were forty-nine who gathered to commemorate the memory of Mr. Wilson.

Those [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Chicago hotel was [illegible] to use eleven hundred pounds of eggs and mushrooms in making an omelet for a party of vegetarians.

Mexia Young Business Man Weds Rhome Girl

Miss Allyne Reid and L. B. Stanford entered the holy bonds of matrimony on Sunday afternoon, November 28th, at the home of the bride at Rhome. Only near friends and relatives were present.

The bride is a popular young lady of her community. For the ceremony she wore a gown of pink georgette with [illegible] accessories. The groom is [illegible] at Mexia where he is en[illegible] their [illegible]

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5 lb. can Calumet Baking Powder	$1.05
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Question: What effect will the checks have on frozen a[illegible]

In dollars and cents [illegible] investigation in Austin [illegible] payers of the state?

This [illegible] an eastern publication [illegible] is a rattlesnake [illegible]

With the [illegible] completed, Wise county can boast [illegible] the most important [illegible]

Princeton and Harvard [illegible] off athletic relations [illegible] including [illegible] moving.

Decatur [illegible] but the [illegible] in great [illegible] correspondents [illegible]

A [illegible] body [illegible] John B[illegible]

Dan Moody [illegible] tain ex-governor [illegible] a gun by [illegible] on the hunting grounds with the incoming chief state executive.

The grand jury [illegible] usual twelve men good and true [illegible] session and forgot [illegible] subject [illegible] is prevalent.

The [illegible] ly on [illegible] and a [illegible] worrying [illegible] cotton [illegible]

The [illegible] boom [illegible] other [illegible] elected [illegible] his [illegible]

[illegible]

Congressman [illegible] Collier [illegible]

Dallas [illegible] property [illegible] of the winter [illegible] A Dallas citizen [illegible] catch a [illegible] news [illegible]

Jack [illegible] Barnett [illegible] Oklahoma.

The new county officials [illegible] their duties on January 1. [illegible] has been selected by the people and if we would make their [illegible] and their work pleasant we should stand by them. Probably there is one here and there in the list that you did not support in the campaign and vote for in the election. Maybe you thought some other candidate would fit the office more to your taste. Probably so, but the majority of the people of Wise [illegible] elected the man you opposed [illegible] the people [illegible]

Taxes and Taxes.

[illegible] in Decatur is forced to pay [illegible] taxes [illegible] right to use them [illegible] it is in the city of Decatur and [illegible] property is located on a street that has [illegible] law which command me to pay [illegible]

Rattle-Snakes.

The rattle-snake is a menace to civilization. Nothing else can be said of it. It has no place in Texas, if indeed it ever had a place in nature. But human nature is so constructed that we will spend a tiny sum for a hunting outfit to wear a month each year when we are privileged to shoot doves and quail. We are trying to preserve our birds and the effort is directed against the human killer and not against anything of the wild. By not preserving birds we are threatened by insect pests.

But it never seems to occur to anybody to make a sporting event out of killing rattle-snakes and other killers of the reptilian family. They do no good, never will do any and are hated by man and animal alike. There is nothing in the entire animal kingdom that does not shudder with dread and loathing at the rattle-snake's declaration of hostilities. Why the instinct of hunting does not include the eradication of one of the most deadly of man's enemies is something not quite understood. It is called "human nature" for want of a better term.

Texas should clean house. We are coming into our own and we are going to be visited by hundreds of thousands of tourists each year, a generous portion of whom will remain. We have a reputation of being a country of rattle-snakes, tarantulas and stinging lizards. While that is far from the exact truth, the story of an airplane flight against death by rattle-snake bite will be the deciding influence in many cases where Texas was being weighed as a prospective home. There is nothing more horrible to contemplate than having a child bitten by a snake. [illegible] A mother from a country where the rattler is unknown is not going to [illegible] her children in a country where they infest pecan groves or cotton fields. Texas should adopt a new slogan. Save the birds, and [illegible] There should be as much as twenty times more luck in the process of killing a diamond back with an imposing array of rattles and the ubiquitous button than there is in shooting a "bob white," especially during those eleven months of closed season. No better way of spending money can be devised than the process of telling the world that there are no more rattle-snakes in Texas.—Fort Worth Record-Telegram.

Messenger learns that the county [illegible]

The Hog Caller.

With leather lungs and rubber throat he raised a frightful din, and from their fastness remote the hogs came rushing in. They heard his loud and raucous cry across the field and hill, and homeward made their trotters fly to sip the sparkling swill. The man who called them is the champ of all the calling host; he made competitors decamp, he is our pride boast. To him belongs the diamond belt and trophies neat and trim; oh, is there one who has not felt a swelling pride in him? His throat's equipped with wheels and cogs that round each other play, and when he rears up, calling hogs, they hear him versts away. His technique is exceeding fine and makes the hogs rejoice and far across the county line they hear and heed his voice.

Presuming rivals sometimes deemed that they could do as well, and so they primed themselves and screamed, sent up their throbbing yell. But there is more in calling swine than merely making noise; the champion, with methods fine, much artistry employs. And when he howls the cultured ear discerns a soothing note, that brings the porkers from the mire and glen and den remote. So let him now his laurels flaunt, and let his days be sweet; he is beyond the reach of want, he dwells on Easy street.

His picture's in the [illegible] we see it every day, sometimes in black, sometimes in tints, his medals on display. The movie magnates soon will [illegible] this hero of the screen, altho the [illegible] cannot show the [illegible]

[illegible]

The average age of a tree is two hundred to three hundred years, altho some varieties live two thousand years.

Many of the tree trunks in the petrified forest in Northern Arizona exceed one hundred and fifty feet in length. During decomposition the cells of the wood were replaced by material from the surrounding land. Chalcedony, opals, and agates are found, while many trees approach the condition of jasper and onyx.

A near riot was caused among the women on a Toledo car when a man came aboard carrying a steel cage containing a number of white mice.

In its quadricentennial celebration the royal band of Sweden reproduced first concert given for Gustav I in 1527 with the same music, instruments, costumes and decorations. The first band consisted of an organist, drummer and four trumpeters.

A frog has adopted a family of orphan robins near Llandrieno, Wales. She spends her days busily employed in searching for flies and worms for her foster children.

The Fort Worth Press is experiencing some annoyance in collecting the five hundred dollars Dr. Frank Norris promised the paper if it would publish certain statements made by the spectacular sky pilot in one of his recent outbursts. It appears that the preacher failed to put over a four-card flush stunt.

A twenty year old hen has just hatched a brood of fourteen chicks at Heppershall, England.

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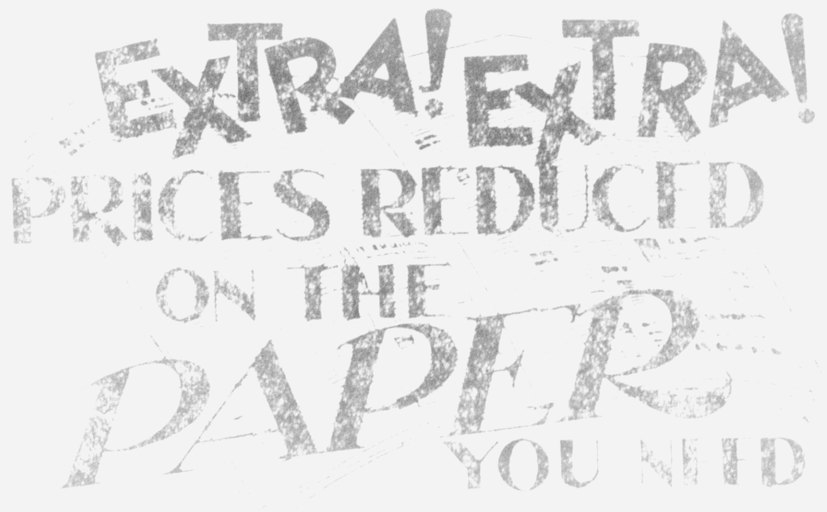
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[illegible]Y BEEF CLUBS ARE GREAT BOOM TO FARM

"Not only are more of our beef steaks going to come from the farms in the future, but Texas farmers will certainly furnish large numbers of them." Continuing in the same key G. W. Barnes asserts that Texas is fast bound toward farm lot feeding of beeves, and that this business was brought about very largely thru the boys' baby beef clubs. "There is no reason," he says, "why Texas should take a back seat with the corn belt in feeding out calves and steers. We have every advantage that they do including the brain power. Texas farmers are realizing this more and more every year, and to club boys should go a large part of the credit of waking them up to their opportunity."

The idea of these club is to demonstrate that good beef calves, properly fed with farm grown feeds, will make a reasonable profit. No boy gets rich on the project, for farming is not a get-rich-quick proposition, but each one of these feeding demonstrations is a quiet little school for the boy and the neighbors. It slowly but surely teaches that farm feed invested in live stock pays reasonable dividends.

There are thirty-eight counties this year having baby beef clubs as against thirty one a year ago. A total of three hundred and fifty three boys and calves are enrolled in the project which will end next March, when most of these calves will be shown at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show.

Following counties have baby beef clubs this year: Collingsworth, [illegible], Deaf Smith, Lubbock, Foard, [illegible], Hall, Comanche, Wilbarger, Hamilton, Erath, Clay, Fisher, Midland, Garza, Nolan, Runnels, Robertson, [illegible], Montgomery, Gillespie, Cass, [illegible], McCulloch, Gregg, Red River, [illegible], Kaufman, Henderson, Rains, Tarrant, Jack, Johnson, Palo Pinto, [illegible], Dallas, [illegible] and [illegible].—[illegible] Service Farm News.

Polite Speeder Eager to Pay Fine.

While patroling his beat up and down the Meridian Highway, Motor Cop Paul Kennedy, polite and dapper, comes in contact with gentlemen who are dapper and polite. Sometimes, of course, in rounding up violators of the laws regulating the speed cars are to be driven he encounters men who are brusk, and occasionally one who is positively peevish.

On Wednesday Mr. Kennedy came across a stranger, who claimed that Duncan, Oklahoma, was his home and his business that of an oil man. The gentleman was traveling at a high rate of speed and Mr. Kennedy slowed him down and instructed him to report to 'Squire Brady. Mr. Kennedy accompanied the man to the justice's office.

When charged with speeding, the gentleman arose and, addressing the 'squire as "Your Honor," said: "I was speeding as the most excellent traffic officer has charged, and please sir, what is the fine for such infractions of the law?"

The justice set the fine and the stranger, with a smile, pulled the amount from his vest pocket. And handing the bills to 'Squire Brady he concluded his statement with: "Gentlemen, it is worth every penny of the amount to have the pleasure of meeting you two men. You are splendid, and here is my card. If either of you should be in my part of the country, please come to see me."

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Neal of Kentucky [illegible] Sunday night on the death of Floyd Collins. There was a large crowd present and all seemed deeply interested in the speaker's thrilling story.

Pastor Bell will preach next Sunday night on "What Makes Me What I Am." The thinking [illegible] of what has made us what we are will be both interesting and instructive.

On Sunday night, December 12th, the choir will sing a Christmas cantata, "Chimes of the Holy Night" by Fred B. Holton. Admission is free and comfortable accomodations will be provided for all.—R. E. Bell, Pastor.

The method of voting used by the Greeks for some twenty-five hundred years consisted of having an urn to represent each candidate. The voter tossed in a white pebble if he wished to vote for the candidate and a black one if he wished to vote against him.

Shiloh M. E. Church.

How long since you said "Thank you" to the Almighty God, who gave you life and the many blessings of this wonderful world? Attend the church of your choice next Sunday and offer praise to your Maker. Subject for Sunday night at Shiloh, "How to Live a Happy, Victorious Life in This Jazz Mad, Style Crazy, Pleasure Loving age."—Outler D. Gose.

Former Resident of Joe Bailey Died at Vernon

Verner Hobson, thirty two years of age, son of Mr. Will Hobson of the Joe Bailey community, died Friday, November 26th at his home near Vernon after six weeks' illness of typhoid fever and other complications. He was born and reared in and around [illegible] and [illegible] years [illegible]. In 1915 he was married to Miss [illegible] Walker, daughter of John Walker of the Joe Bailey community, who [illegible] and three children survive [illegible] whom are the typhoid [illegible] three [illegible] and two [illegible].

Pioneer Resident Died at Home Below Decatur

Mrs. J. M. C. Tate, eighty [illegible] years of age, and mother of J. B. Tate, [illegible] twelve miles southeast of Decatur on Monday afternoon at one o'clock, and interment took place at Oaklawn cemetery Tuesday afternoon in the presence of a large number of sorrowing friends and relatives.

Mrs. Tate had been a resident of the community for more than twenty years and she numbered her friends by the score. She was a devout Christian and her daily walk was an inspiration to those with whom she came in contact.

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Mrs. Fay Shaw Granted Divorce First of Week

Mrs. Fay Shaw on Tuesday morning was granted a divorce from Curtis Shaw in district court by Judge [illegible] O. McKinsey. Mrs. Shaw stated that she and Mr. Shaw were married in Bridgeport at the home of her mother in September and separated in October.

After hearing the testimony of Mrs. Shaw, the court ordered the divorce granted and restored the maiden name of the plaintiff.

Mrs. Shaw was before her marriage Miss Fay Ash. She stated she was eighteen years of age.

Miss Annie Plaxco, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Plaxco of Fort Worth, were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Plaxco and family Sunday.

Miss Bellah Purchased A. P. Buttrill Business

Miss Florence Bellah, one of Decatur's splendid business ladies, has purchased the A. P. Buttrill stock in the Rice building at the southwest corner of the public square. Miss Bellah is well and favorably known to the buying public, having been with the Rieger Brothers store for a number of years, and Messenger predicts for her a good business. The store will be continued at the same stand.

Mr. Buttrill will move with his family to his farm near Grapevine. During his business career in Decatur Paige made many friends, who will join the Messenger in wishing him lots of prosperity as a tiller of the soil.

Tea is chewed like tobacco in Siam.

For the theft of thirty five lip sticks a New York man was sentenced to three years in the penetentiary.

Renewing his subscription to the Messenger, Edgar Renshaw, formerly a resident of Decatur, writes from Fort Worth: "Mailing you check for the Messenger; can't do without it. Just like a letter from home."

Fashion's latest fad calls for the wearing of rubber earrings painted in bright colors.

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Coffee	Bokar Supreme lb.	49c
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Pinto Beans 3 lbs.		25c

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Premium Winners at Fifth Wise County Fair Held in Decatur November 18th-19th

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Team farm horses—First, Decatur White [illegible]; second, George [illegible] [illegible].

Beef Cattle—Club Division.

[illegible]

[illegible] Jersey.

[illegible]

Heifer [illegible] two years—First, Henry Kelley of Paradise; second, Elgene Thomason of Decatur.

Champion [illegible] heifer—Henry Kelley of Paradise.

Holstein.

Cow over two years—First, John Edgar McDaniel of Decatur.

Bull under two years—First, John Edgar McDaniel of Decatur; second, John Edgar McDaniel of Decatur.

Heifer—First, Orlan Kaker of Paradise.

Beef Cattle, Open Class—Shorthorns.

Bull over one year—First, J. L. Waggoner of Decatur.

Herefords.

Bull over one year—First, Robert Bennett of Decatur.

Cow over two years—First and second, Robert Bennett of Decatur.

Heifer under one year—First and second, Robert Bennett of Decatur.

Herd of bull and two heifers—First, Robert Bennett of Decatur.

Heifer over one year—First and second, Paul Ran of Decatur.

Dairy Cattle—Jersey Purebred.

Bull over two years—First, J. A. Pruitt of Decatur; second, Elgene Thomason of Decatur.

Cow over two years—First, Elgene Thomason of Decatur; second, G. A. Arrington of Decatur.

Heifer yearling—First, Elgene Thomason of Decatur.

Heifer under one year—First, Henry Kelley of Paradise; second Elgene Thomason of Decatur.

Bull under two years—First, Henry Kelley of Paradise; second, Elgene Thomason of Decatur.

Increase of dam—First, Elgene Thomason of Decatur.

Grand champion female—Elgene Thomason of Decatur.

Grand champion male—J. A. Pruitt of Decatur.

Grade cow over two years—First, Dave Cadde[illegible] of Decatur; second, J. B. Israel of Decatur.

Holstein Purebred.

Heifer yearling—First, Orlan Kaker of Paradise.

Grand champion female—Orlan Kaker of Paradise.

Cow over two years—First, John Edgar McDaniel of Decatur.

Bull under two years—First and second, John Edgar McDaniel of Decatur.

Grade cow under two years—First, J. H. McCarter of Decatur.

Special—Dairy Department.

Champion Jersey cow—Elgene Thomason of Decatur.

Best grade cow—Dave Cadde[illegible] of Decatur.

Swine—Poland China.

Sow [illegible] pig—First, Henry Kelley of Paradise.

Aged [illegible]—First, Henry Kelley of Paradise.

[illegible]

Specials.

[illegible]

Duroc Jersey.

Aged [illegible]—First, H. N. Nikirk of Alvord.

Junior sow pig—First and second, H. N. Nikirk of Alvord.

Senior sow pig (club)—First, Earl Ferguson of Decatur.

Junior sow pig (club)—First, Earl Ferguson of Decatur.

Junior boar pig (club)—First, Earl Ferguson of Decatur.

Junior boar pig (open class)—First, Earl Ferguson of Decatur.

Sheep, Registered—Open Class. Southdown.

Ram one year and under two—First, Paul Ran of Decatur.

Aged ewe, two years and over—[illegible]

Shropshire.

Aged ewe two years and over—First and second, Ray Christian of Decatur.

Ram one year and under two—First, Ray Christian of Decatur.

Ewe one year and under two—First and second, Ray Christian of Decatur.

Ram [illegible]—First, [illegible] of Decatur.

[illegible]

Club Sheep.

[illegible]

Fat lamb (Southdown)—First, Paul Ran of Decatur; (Shropshire) second, Robert Bennett of Decatur; (Rambouillet) [illegible] Ran of Decatur.

Agriculture.

White corn—First, W. H. J[illegible]son of Alvord; second, R. B. Banks of Cottondale.

Strawberry corn—First, R. B. Banks of Cottondale.

Bloody butcher corn—First, S. H. Taggart of Decatur.

Sure cropper corn—First, G. W. Tyson of Decatur.

Popcorn—First, [illegible] Rogers of Decatur.

Milo maize—First, R. B. Banks of Cottondale.

Feterita—First, G. W. Tyson of Decatur.

Forage—First, G. W. Tyson of Decatur.

Wheat—First, P. M. [illegible] of Decatur.

Oats—First, Clarence Hudnall of Rhome.

Barley—First, John Orr of Decatur.

Sweet potatoes—First, G. W. Tyson of Decatur.

Sweet potatoes [illegible]—First and second, F. W. Brammer of Rhome.

Open cotton bolls—First, G. W. Finch of Decatur.

Stalks of sorghum—First, G. W. Finch of Decatur.

Pears—First, N. A. Moore of Decatur.

Apples—First, R. R. Teetle of Rhome.

Onions—First, W. E. Whorton of Decatur.

Green peppers—First, G. W. Smith of Decatur.

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CHICKS FOR SALE—Pure bred white leghorn baby chicks $12 per hundred; brown leghorns, anconas and buff leghorns, $14; barred plymouth rocks, Rhode Island reds and white rocks, $15; buff orpingtons, white wyandots and black minorcas $16. Postage prepaid, live delivery guaranteed.—ACME FARMS, Smithville, Texas. (41-50)

FOR SALE OR TRADE—[illegible]

[illegible]

FOR SALE—[illegible]

FOR SALE—[illegible]

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—[illegible] J. W. Bailey, Decatur. (49)

FOR LEASE—[illegible] farm. See BEN HARMONSON or PORTER KEY, Decatur. (48tf)

FARM FOR LEASE—Hundred thirty two acres, one-half miles of Newport, Texas, in Clay county; good land, frame house; good outside improvements. Write or call T. W. PHILIPS, Bowie, Texas. (51)

FOR RENT OR LEASE—Two hundred twenty acres, six miles west of Decatur. See W. M. KEARNEY, Decatur, route three. (49)

WANTED

WANTED—I want a minute of the Wise County Baptist Association for the year 1906.—J. W. BAILEY, Deca

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RIEGER BROTHERS' CO-OPERATION SALE

Now Going On!

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FOLKS—We are indeed thankful for the great volume of business you gave us the first few days of our Co-Operation Sale. The crowds were enormous. Of course, we expected great crowds but nothing like the seething mass of eager buyers who turned out each day to take advantage of the biggest bargains ever offered by this or any other store. Watch this space each week for greater and grander bargains.

Men's and boy's caps on sale for only

73c.

Men's cotton sweaters—sale price

Only 98c

SPECIAL

Counter of men and boy's shoes and oxfords—sale price

$1.95

SALE PRICE

36-inch outing, light and dark patterns, per yard—

15c

SALE PRICE

Children school hose in black, sand and tan, per pair

19c

SALE PRICE

Cheviot shirting; 25c value, yard

15c

SPECIAL

Dress gingham and cotton check outing, per yard

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Men's black or tan cotton socks—only

8c. pair

Union suits for the children—age 2 to 8.

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The Latest in Ready-to-Wear

We have just received a new express shipment of Ladies' and Misses Coats and Dresses, and are featuring them at our store for the next few days.

Ladies' Coats

A splendid array of these fashionable Ladies' Coats for you to select from, priced at — $5.95, $9.95, $12.45, $17.45

Silk Dresses

Dresses in silk and wool, ranging in sizes from 16 to 44 — these are real values — $4.95, $7.45, $9.95 and $14.95

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Good warm winter blankets on sale at bargain prices —

$6.50 wool knap blankets	$4.95
$5.50 plaid cotton blankets	$3.45
Large solid tan or grey blankets	$1.89
Large size plaid cotton blankets	$2.45

Men's blue overalls; 30 to 42—on sale at

98c.

Men's winter union suits; 36 to 44—only

98c.

Shirts and drawers for men—on sale at

69c.

Boy's heavy cotton sweaters—10 to 16

$1.39

SPECIAL

Crinkeldy new bed spreads

$1.39

SPECIAL

One lot checked and plaid suiting, 75c to $1.00 value

29c

SPECIAL

Men and boy's blue shirts—sale price

48c

SPECIAL

36-inch satin, selling per yard

$1.29

SALE PRICE

Heavy fleece outing gown, only

98c

SPECIAL

Good 100 page school tablet, only

4c

SALE PRICE

50c Gilbrey gingham per yard—

29c

RIEGER BROTHERS'

Premium Winners at Fifth Wise County Fair Held in Decatur November 18th-19th

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Pumpkin—First, D. Foreman of Decatur.

Turnips—First, George Ran of Decatur.

Irish potatoes—First, George Ran of Decatur.

Fresh tomatoes—First, George Ran of Decatur

Best display vegetables—First and second, George Ran of Decatur.

Girls' Club—Sewing—First Year.

Cup towel and holder—First, Anna Lois Jomeson of Boyd; second, Jewel Mercer of Boyd.

Apron and cap—First, Hazel Trussel of Boyd; second, Elizabeth Gilliland of Paradise.

Article for home improvement—First, Elizabeth Gilliland of Paradise.

Best exhibit required garden club work, including canning, sewing, home improvements and complete record book and history—Elizabeth Gilliland of Paradise.

Second Year Clubs.

Sewing bag—First, Lou Ellen Cox of Decatur; second, Irene Price of Newark.

Bungalow apron—First, Lou Ellen Cox of Decatur.

Best history of work with complete record book—First, Lou Ellen Cox of Decatur.

Best exhibit required garden club work, including canning, sewing, home improvements and complete record and history—Louis Ellen Cox of Decatur.

Third Year Clubs.

Specimen of darning—First, Nellie Parrish of Decatur; second, Vera Parrish of Decatur.

Article for home improvement—First, Nellis Parrish of Decatur; second, Vera Parrish of Decatur.

Night gown—First, Vera Parrish of Decatur; second, Nellie Parrish of Decatur.

Wash dress—First, Vera Parrish of Decatur; second, Nellie Parrish of Decatur.

Fourth Year Clubs.

Luncheon set—First, Lizzie Mae Cox of Decatur.

Teddies—First, Lizzie Mae Cox of Decatur.

Article for home improvement—First, Lizzie Mae Cox of Decatur.

Best complete record book and history of work—First, Lizzie Mae Cox of Decatur.

Women's Division.

Canned blackberries—First, Mrs. Buck Collins of Decatur; second, Mrs. G. W. Rogers of Decatur.

Onion pickles—First, Mrs. Buck Collins of Decatur.

Canned string beans—First, Mrs. Buck Collins of Decatur; second, Mrs. G. W. Rogers of Decatur.

Canned beet pickles—First, Mrs. Buck Collins of Decatur; second, Mrs. Glenn Hunt of Decatur.

Canned pears—First, Mrs. Buck Collins of Decatur; second, Mrs. J. S. Atkerson of Decatur.

Canned tomatoes—First, Mrs. Buck Collins of Decatur; second, Mrs. Glenn Hunt of Decatur.

Pear preserves—First, Mrs. Buck Collins of Decatur.

Fig [illegible]—First, Mrs. Buck Collins of Decatur.

Mixed pickles—First, Mrs. G. W. Rogers of Decatur.

Canned [illegible] plums—First, Mrs. G. W. Rogers of Decatur; second, Mrs. J. S. Atkerson of Decatur.

Canned soup mixture—First, Mrs. Fred Thomason of Decatur.

Canned vinegar—First, Mrs. Fred Thomason of Decatur.

Canned tame plums—First, Mrs. Fred Thomason of Decatur; second, Mrs. Glenn Hunt of Decatur.

Canned peaches—First, Mrs. H. J[illegible]don of Bridgeport; second, Mrs. Fred Thomason of Decatur.

Cucumber pickles—First, Mrs. [illegible] Kelley of Paradise; second, Mrs. [illegible] Smith of Decatur.

Canned grape [illegible]—First, Mrs. [illegible] Davis of Decatur.

Girls' Clubs—Food Preservation.

Canned fruit—First, Stella Mae Green of Paradise; second, [illegible]ton of Boyd.

Soup mixture—First, Elizabeth Gilliland of Paradise; second, Stella Mae Green of Paradise.

Canned tomatoes—First, Elizabeth Gilliland of Paradise; second, Stella Mae Green of Paradise.

Tomatoe pickles—First, Gwendolyn Moody of Paradise; second, Stella Mae Green of Paradise.

Chili sauce—First Gwyndolyn Moody of Paradise; second, Velma Kaker of Paradise.

Two quarts different canned fruits—First, Lizzie Mae Cox of Decatur.

Pint tomato preserves—First, Lou Ellen Cox of Decatur.

Pint pear preserves—First Lou Ellen Cox of Decatur.

Quart canned beans—First, Lou Ellen Cox of Decatur.

Quart tomato mincemeat—First, Nellie Parrish of Decatur; second Vera Parrish of Decatur.

Cucumber pickles—First, Nellie Parrish of Decatur; second, Vera Parrish of Decatur

Floral Department.

[illegible]tion pot and box plants—First, [illegible] H. McCarter of Decatur.

[illegible]nt—First, Mrs. J. H. Mc[illegible] Decatur.

[illegible] basket cut flowers—First, [illegible]yeatt of Decatur; second, [illegible]ore of Decatur.

Fine Arts Department.

Oil painting—First, Mrs. Jim Holt of Decatur; second, Mrs. A. S. Martin of Decatur.

Water color—First, Mrs. Jim Holt of Decatur; second, Miss Frances Collins of Decatur.

Culinary Department.

Two crust pie—First, Mrs. J. S. Atkerson of Decatur.

Devil's food cake—second, Mrs. J. S. Atkerson of Decatur.

One crest pie—First, Mrs. J. S. Atkerson of Decatur.

Half dozen rolls—First, Mrs. Fred Thomason of Decatur; second, Mrs. J. S. Atkerson of Decatur.

Plate biscuits—First, Mrs. J. C. Davis of Decatur.

Loaf cake—First, Mrs. Dave Kerr of Decatur.

Boys' and Girls Clubs—Poultry.

Blue Andlusian cockerel—First, Truett Weatherby of Decatur.

Blue Andlusian pullet—First, Truett Truett Weatherby of Decatur.

White Rock cockerel—Third, Malcolm Branch of Decatur.

Rhode Island Red cockerel—Second, Will Hogg Greathouse of Decatur.

Rode Island Red pullet—First, Will Hogg Greathouse of Decatur.

Rhode Island Red pen—First, Will Hogg Greathouse of Decatur.

White Leghorn pen—Second, Hubert Farmer of Rhome.

Attendance Contest.

[illegible] ward school [illegible] the highest per cent attendance of enrolled pupils in the contest for prize of twenty dollars offered by the fair committee. They were [illegible] Joe [illegible] and Sycamore. The [illegible] divided among the [illegible] [illegible] the Wise County Fair [illegible]

Poultry Show

[illegible] the Wise County Poultry Show, held [illegible] with the fair. Dr. A. F. [illegible] was judge of the show. Gordon Kenshow of Decatur is secretary of the Wise County Poultry Association which sponsored the show.

Round Head Games.

First cockerel, first and second pullet, Albert Sycow of Decatur.

S. C. Rhode Island Reds.

First and third cockerel, first, second and third pullets, J. W. Million of Denton; third young pen, Will Hogg Greathouse of Decatur; first young pen and second cock, Earl Petty of Boyd; second young pen, first and second hens, second cockerel and third cock, Mrs. S. B. Pearson of Decatur; first cock and third hen, Dave Hoyle of Decatur.

White Wyandottes.

First young pen, first old pen, first cockerel, first and second hens, first and second pullets, H. L. White of Justin; first cock and third pullet, R. C. [illegible] of Justin; second cockerel, Mrs. J. G. Cose of Decatur; second cock, second cockerel and third [illegible], Mrs. S. E. [illegible] of Paradise.

White Rocks.

First cockerel, second and third pullet, Malcolm Branch of Decatur; first pullet and first young pen, Decatur White Leghorn Farm; third hen, T. E. Weatherby of Decatur.

Light Brahmas.

First young pen, Decatur White Leghorn Farm.

S. C. White Leghorns.

First and second cock and second hen, Decatur White Leghorn Farm; first and second cockerels, T. P. Foster of Decatur; first [illegible] and third cockerel, C. A. [illegible] of Rhome; third hen and third pullet, Robert [illegible] of Decatur; [illegible]

S. C. [illegible] Leghorns.

[illegible]

Golden Wyandottes.

First young pen, W. H. Sims of Alvord.

Buff Minorcas.

First and second pullet, Horace McGlasson of Decatur.

Jersey Black Jiants.

First young pen, W. H. Norwood of Decatur.

S. C. Block Minorcas.

First and second hen, first and second pullet, first, second and third cockerel, first, second and third cock, Gordon Kenshow of Decatur.

Blue Andulusians.

First and second pullet, first hen, first cockerel, T. E. Weatherby of Decatur.

Bronze Turkeys.

First young pair and second old pair, W. A. Shults of Decatur; first old pair and second young pair, Bill Flannagin of Krum; first old tom and first young tom, W. H. Sims of Alvord.

Specials.

Grand champion male bird (Rhode Island Red cockerel), J. W. Million of Denton; grand champion female (Rhode Island Red pullet), J. W. Million of Denton; best ten birds (S. C. White Leghorns), W. T. Moseley of Alvord; second best ten birds (S. C. Rhode Island Reds), J. W. Million of Denton; best shaped and colored bird (S. C. Rhode Island Red), J. W. Million of Denton.

Specials by Lillard Milling Company.

One hundred pounds of chicken chowder for Best male bird, J. W. Million of Denton; best female bird, J. W. Million of Denton; best pair turkeys, Bill Flannagin of Krum.

Specials by Bewley Mills.

Fifty pounds of egg lay for First and second cock, Decatur White Leghorn Farm; third and fourth cock, Gordon Kenshow of Decatur; best hen, H. L. White of Justin; second best hen, W. T. Moseley of Alvord; third best hen, Mrs. S. B. Pearson of Decatur; fourth best hen, Decatur White Leghorn Farm; best cockerel, J. W. Million of Denton; second best cockerel, T. I. Foster of Decatur; third best cockerel, Mrs. S. B. Pearson of Decatur; fourth best cockerel, H. L. White of Justin; first and second pullet, J. W. Million of Denton; third best pullet, H. L. White of Justin; fourth best pullet, W. T. Moseley of Alvord; best pen, H. L. White of Justin.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Finn of Sunset, on Sunday, November 29th, a daughter. Mrs. Finn was before her marriage Miss Annie Davis of Decatur.

Card of Thanks.

We take this method of thanking the friends who were so good and kind during the last sickness and death of our husband and father. May God bless you all. Mrs. Emma Burtis, Mrs. Van Fleet, Fred Burtis, Eddie Tenney, Harold Tenney.

A tall thin man requires more food than a short fat one, even tho both are of the same weight, according to a Japanese physician. He declares that the amount of food needed depends upon the total area, not the weight of the body.

Among those running indefinitely are Tennyson's brook and Brookhart.—Detroit News.

If only candidates were required to file a list of the lies they tell. Publisher's Sindicate (Chicago.)

About all the average European nation now likes about America is Santa Claus.—New Bedford Times.

The trouble with the franc is that it goes down every time the French try to buy real money with it.—Dallas News.

A republic is a place where you can't blame any particular individual when you're bossed.—Sherbrooke Record.

"One out of six Americans owns an auto"—Headline. And one out of two owes on one.—Norfolk Virginia-Pilot.

It is probably useless to expect Europe to love us while it owes us so much. It's agin natur.—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

The liberty of the country can be subverted only by a pretence of adhering to all the forms of law and yet by breaking all the substance of our liberties.—Alexander Hamilton.

The fears of old age disturb us, yet how few attain it.—LaBruyere.

PREVENTS INFECTION

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$10.00 wool dresses, going for $ 5.00
$16.75 wool dresses, going for $ 8.35
$19.75 wool dresses, going for $ 9.85
$24.75 wool dresses, going for $12.[illegible]
$29.75 wool dresses, going for $14.[illegible]
$34.75 wool dresses, going for $17.35

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These hats are modeled of velours, felts and velvets and all are new styles and real values. About six dozen of these hats—everything in stock—are included.

$2.95 ladies' and misses' hats at $1.48
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$5.95 ladies' and misses' hats at $2.98
$6.95 ladies' and misses' hats at $3.48
$7.95 ladies' and misses' hats at $3.98
$9.95 ladies' and misses' hats at $4.93

A special ot of three-pound double blankets — size 66x80 — in pretty plaids and stripes (they'll keep your warm these wintry nights) selling for only $1.95

Children's striped satten bloomers	25c
Children's taped union suits	69c
8 yards 36-inch outing, good weight	$1.00
One lot ladies' satinella bloomers	69c
Full size ruffled window curtains	98c

Ladies' ribbed unions, long sleeves	$1.00
7 yards light percales Saturday	$1.00
$1.00 36-inch suitings Saturday	79c
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We have a complete line of Nelly Don House Aprons and Frocks, guaranteed fast color material -- in a splendid range of sizes — selling from 98c to $2.95

LONE STAR NEWS

Several from this community attended the singing at Thomas last Sunday afternoon.

School is progressing nicely at Lone Star, and a successful session for the year is predicted.

Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Raw[illegible] of Bridgeport, were Sunday guests of [illegible] Raw[illegible] and family.

Rev. Percy Peyton will preach at [illegible]

[illegible]

In [illegible] married on Tuesday [illegible] paper on Saturday morning [illegible] neither rich nor poor, on Wednesday morning at eleven o'clock.

W. C. Edwards, editor of the Decatur Record-Chronicle, and Mr. [illegible] of Bowie, were in the city Saturday.

Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Wise County, greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been published continuously and regularly for a period of not less than one year in your county, at least once a week for ten days previous to the return day hereof, copies of the following notice:

The State of Texas. To all persons interested in the estate of Sallie Meanally, deceased; also A. G. White, Melac Johnson, Mrs. Lizzie Walker, Mrs. Lillie Vernon, who all reside in the State of Oklahoma, and Mrs. Matilda Hubbard, who resides in the State of Wyoming, all of whom are alleged to be heirs at law of Sallie Meanally, deceased, to appear at the next regular term of the County Court of Wise County, to be holden at the court house thereof on the third day of January, A. D. 1927, the same being the first Monday in January, A. D. 1927, to contest, should they desire to do so, the application of W. L. Meanally, who has filed an application in the County Court of Wise County on the 18th day of November, A. D. 1926, for the probate of the last will and testament of Sallie Meanally, deceased, which can not be produced in said court, and which in said application is substantially stated to be as follows: The testatrix first requested that all of her just debts and funeral expenses [illegible]

[illegible] W. L. Meanally, [illegible] Agnes [illegible] Meanally, Ida Smith, [illegible] Meanally, Eunice Meanally and [illegible] Scott, share and share alike, and will then name W. L. Meanally sole executor without bond and was signed Sallie Meanally [illegible] That said will was [illegible] without the jurisdiction [illegible] said court [illegible]

LONE MOUND NEWS

Guy Eaton spent last week end with his parents.

Mr. Morris of Vernon, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Charles Spencer.

Miss Willie Claborn spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Willie Martin.

Miss Truia Mae Peyton spent last week end with Mrs. [illegible] Peyton.

Mr. and Mrs. Landon Martin and children [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Bowman.

Mr. W. S. Hodge [illegible] spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Farrington.

Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. West, Sunday.

Carl Perkins spent [illegible] Saturday night with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hannah.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Roy and children spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Claborn.

Tom McGrew of Oklahoma and Mr. Washam of Beaumont, visited Mrs. S. B. Spencer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmore [illegible] and children spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Farrington.

Mrs. Nelson [illegible] and Mr. [illegible] Stevens of Oklahoma City visited in this community last week.

Mr. [illegible] spent Saturday night and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Copley.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sanders and Mr. and Mrs. Dee Walthall of Decatur spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hannah.

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. T[illegible], Mr. and Mrs. W. W. P[illegible] and Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Perkins [illegible] Rev. and Mrs. Percy Peyton.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our thanks to the friends [illegible] so good to us during the long illness and death of our dear and beloved husband and [illegible] especially do we thank those for the beautiful floral offerings. May God bless [illegible] Mrs. T. J. [illegible]

College C. of C. Gives Mock Majestic Tuesday

A Mock Majestic [illegible] the [illegible] chamber of commerce [illegible] good crowd [illegible] members.

A play, [illegible] singing and other [illegible] numbers featured the [illegible] entertainment, which was well received [illegible]

The college chamber [illegible] composed of [illegible] men of the institution [illegible] three years ago [illegible] much good [illegible] organization.

A SPLENDID FEELING

[illegible]

[illegible] EMPIRE DRUG CO. [illegible]

NEWARK NEWS

Little Barry Hill is very sick at this writing.

Miss Jewel Gillenwater [illegible] Fort Worth [illegible] Friday.

A. Gant and daughter [illegible] spent Friday in Dallas.

W. A. Hill [illegible] Wednesday [illegible] West Texas.

[illegible]

Miss Gertrude [illegible] Fort Worth [illegible] this week end.

The Ten Commandments [illegible] at the Palace Theatre [illegible] December [illegible]

Miss [illegible] Holt of [illegible] spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Holt.

Miss [illegible] visited her aunt, Mrs. G. W. Dought[illegible], Thanksgiving.

Miss [illegible] Yoakum and Mr. and Mrs. Grant Keeter spent [illegible] the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Yoakum.

Miss Nell Hudson of [illegible] Fort Worth, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Hudson here.

Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Ward and daughters, Misses [illegible] and Mozelle, visited Mr. Ward's [illegible] Mrs. Bettie Gillenwater [illegible] Thursday.

The Newark [illegible] team [illegible] on Thursday [illegible]

SPLAWN NEWS

[illegible] were in Decatur Saturday.

J. E. Miller and daughter [illegible] visited B. E. Miller Sunday.

L. L. Freeman and family have moved to the New Harmony community.

Mr. and Mrs. John [illegible] of [illegible] visited M. E. [illegible] the first of the week.

Mr. [illegible] week end [illegible] Mrs. S. E. [illegible]

SHILOH NEWS

[illegible] and wife were in [illegible] Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] in Dallas.

[illegible]

Popular Teacher Weds Man from Archer City

[illegible] Seago [illegible] to the [illegible] November [illegible] and [illegible] R. [illegible] officiated.

[illegible] is one of Wise county's [illegible] teachers [illegible] a prominent young business man of Archer City.

MONEY TALKS

[illegible] merchant [illegible] $100 [illegible] $200 [illegible] $250 [illegible] $150 or $200 invested [illegible] salesman makes $100. If you are a salesman or wish to become one. If you never sold anything in your life I will tell you how to make better than $100.00 a week. Address

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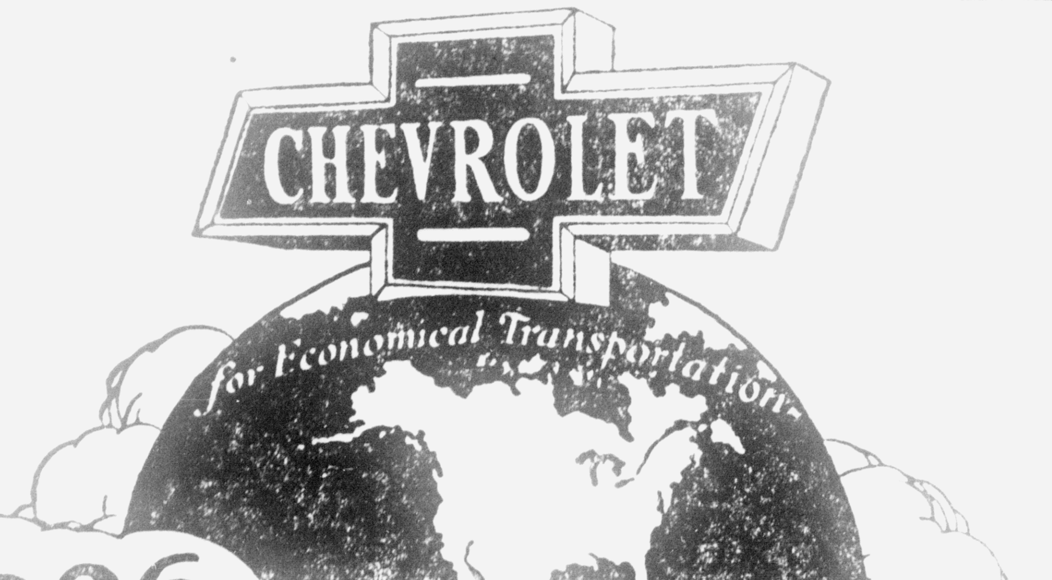

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